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APPELLANT'S REPLY BRIEF

SIR:

This is appellants' reply brief in response to the Examiner's Answer mailed November 26, 2008 in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 41.41. Any fees or charges required in connection with this application may be charged to Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

The Examiner's Answer sets forth a new point of argument in Section (10)(A) Response to Argument, to which appellants reply as follows.

The Examiner (at pg. 13 of the Examiner's Answer) states that:

While Appellant is correct in that KAMADA et al. uses references numeral 11 in the detailed description to refer to a "dent" (see Appellant's brief, page 5), some of the numerals 11 in Figure 1 point to the exposed portion of the submout 12. (Emphasis Added)

Appellants respectfully disagree.

In FIG. 1 of Kamada, reference numeral 11 is used at two locations. In each instance, the

numerals clearly identify the open "interior" space of the depicted LED luminare, i.e., the dents.

There is no reference numeral in FIG. 1 that points to an exposed portion of a submount. The

labeling in FIG. 1 of Kamada is consistent with the teachings of this patent, i.e., reference

numeral 11 points to dents in the luminare (see paragraphs [0046] and [0047]). Indeed, the

submounts 12 in FIG. 1 are located at the four corners of the luminare and are not labeled with

reference numeral 12.

In view of the above and Appellants' previous remarks submitted in the Appeal Brief,

independent claim 22 and 45 patentably distinguish over the cited art.

For the foregoing reasons, Appellants respectfully submit that the teachings of the cited

art fail to establish a prima facie case of anticipation or obviousness with regard to the subject

matter recited in independent claims 22 and dependent claims 23-37 and 39-44. The Final

Rejection of the claims should be reversed.

Respectfully submitted,

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